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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, line 2, please insert: This application claims priority from Korean patent

AI application numbers 1998-25935, filed June 30, 1998, and 1999-25143, filed June 29, 1999, the entire contents of which are incorporated by reference herein.—

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 3-5 and 11-12 as follows:

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1. (AMENDED) ~~A~~ {H}human thrombopoietin derivative which is derived from human thrombopoietin (hTPO) described by SEQ ID NO: 30; which has at least one additional N-linked glycosylation site; and which is selected from the group {comprising} consisting of: